

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Prior Art Unit: 2655  
Appln No.: Continuation Application of Serial No. 09/420,603  
filed October 19, 1999 Prior Examiner: N. Hindi  
Filed: October 2, 2003  
For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL  
DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please further amend the above-captioned application as  
follows: